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**JOINT STATEMENT FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA ON THE REVENUE-SHARING AND
INFRASTRUCTURE AGREEMENT**

DELTA, B.C. – The Government of Canada and the Province of British Columbia issued the following joint statement today highlighting the next steps of the landmark economic, revenue-sharing, and infrastructure agreement:

“Today marks a significant milestone as our governments advance a shared funding commitment designed to support long-term economic growth, job creation, and industrial modernization across British Columbia. By aligning our fiscal resources and strategic priorities, we are ensuring that western Canada's most critical infrastructure requirements receive the capital prioritization they require.

Both governments understand completely the immense scope of work, collaboration, and resources required to deliver large-scale infrastructure. With this new framework now established, it is imperative that we immediately identify, isolate, and systematically overcome any fiscal or logistical risks that threaten to stall or hinder progress on our region's most vital transportation link: the Fraser River Tunnel Project (George Massey Tunnel Replacement).

The current George Massey Tunnel remains one of the most severe bottlenecks in western Canada, impacting daily commuters, industrial trade corridors, and emergency response capabilities. The replacement of this crossing is not merely a local concern; it is an infrastructure project of national economic significance that cannot afford further delay, mitigation-related stalls, or shifting timelines.

At Delta's last council meeting, Mayor George V. Harvie formally requested that the Province provide a clear pathway forward on the project. While Mayor Harvie greatly appreciated receiving advance notice ahead of today's scheduled announcement, he notes that the community is eager for the next steps.

Our governments recognize the vital importance of this clarity for local leadership and residents alike, and we look forward to seeing the detailed project plans presented directly to the people of Delta to ensure full transparency.

The Government of Canada and the Province of British Columbia remain unwavering in our commitment to the construction schedule of the new tunnel.

We look forward to continuing our constructive, intergovernmental collaboration to ensure that the risks inherent to projects of this magnitude are managed aggressively, construction continues without interruption, and the Fraser River Tunnel remains a top-tier priority for our nation's transit and trade corridors.”

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